

## INSANE PATIENTS LEFT TO DISTRICT BY THEIR FRIENDS

Board of Charities Scores  
Employees Who Make Old  
Folks Public Charges.

Declaring there are numerous cases of persons in receipt of good salaries who refuse to pay for the care of their dependent relatives at the Government Asylum for the Insane, the Board of Charities, in its annual report submitted to the Commissioners today, recommends legislation to correct this condition of affairs. A search of the records, it is stated, has revealed the fact that a number of persons maintained as indigent patients and paid for by the District, were owners of estates, and means were taken to secure reimbursement.

"During the year \$5,340.50 was collected through the Board of Charities, and the office of the Corporation Counsel and number of cases are still pending in the courts.

"In some instances it has been found impossible to secure payment from persons who are able, and who ought to pay," says the report.

"Conspicuous instances are several cases of the members of the families of Government employees. In some instances such persons in receipt of good salaries have neglected and refused to pay for the care of their wife or child at the hospital, and the board has been unable to enforce payment because the law provides that the salaries of such persons shall not be attached. We submit to Congress the necessity of such legislation as will remedy this condition of affairs."

Recommendation is made for the establishment of an intermediate sentence and parole system at the workhouse at Occoquan. Prisoners, the

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Fine Apples, eating or cooking, per peck 25c

Fruit Cake, per lb. 16c

Pound Cake, per lb. 16c

Fancy White Potatoes, per peck 20c

Fancy Yellow Onions, per peck 17c

## REPORTS STATE, SHOULD BE COMMITTED UNDER AN INDEFINITE SENTENCE FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED TWO YEARS AND A BOARD OF PAROLE SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED WITH POWER TO RELEASE PRISONERS WHEN IT APPEARS THAT THEY WILL LEAD A REPUTABLE LIFE WHEN FREE FROM RE- STRAINT.

The need of a municipal hospital for the care of indigent patients is again emphasized. "The Washington Asylum Hospital is utterly unfit to care for our sick poor," says the report. "The administration has done the best it could under the circumstances, but many of the objections to the hospital are insuperable."

The opinion is expressed that it would be unwise to expend \$20,000 in remodeling the old workhouse building for hospital purposes, and that the money should be used in erecting a new building on a site already owned by the District. Attention is directed to the need of a new municipal lodging house. The present building in Twelfth street, between C and D streets, is declared to be unsanitary and generally unsatisfactory. With reference to the suggestion that the Tuberculosis Hospital be transferred from the Board of Charities to the Health Department, the board does not express a positive opinion, but suggests that, as the hospital is now conducted, is restricted by law to the care of the indigent classes, and the element of charity could not be eliminated without a change in the law.

## Hanna to Be Heard.

John H. Hanna will deliver a lecture at the next meeting of the Washington Society of Engineers, in the Cosmos Club, December 17. F. W. Fitzpatrick spoke on "Fireproof Construction" at the meeting held last night.

## ACTOR IS IN CHARGE OF MOVEMENT FOR MAILS ON SUNDAYS

Twenty-five Thousand Petitions  
Will Soon Be Sent to  
Postmaster General.

Twenty-five thousand petitions containing twenty-five names each will soon be sent into the Postoffice Department as the result of a movement started in Detroit in October to have restored the Sunday delivery service to hotels, traveling men and theatrical folk. Billy B. Van, the comedian appearing at the Academy Theater this week, was the sponsor of the crusade. In the Hotel Ponchartrain Sunday October 6, several travelers including Billy B. Van inquired for their mail only to find that the postal service regulation for closing on Sunday prevented. The drummers and theatrical men were

"peevish." Billy B. Van's press agent thought he had the chance for a good yarn so he had Van start a petition to the department asking the restoration of the delivery service for the traveling public on Sundays. The story went big with the Detroit papers, but soon Mr. Van and his press agent found that the crusade was on in earnest, and they must carry it through or be jeered at. Consequently, every mail is bringing in requests for the petitions, and hundreds of signatures are pouring into Van's dressing room. They're bona fide, too, for he produced them for reporters today.

Now the Postoffice Department seems to be getting just a little anxious, for Mr. Van has had several letters from the powers that be, saying that the petition crusade had come to their attention, and adding that the department, desiring to accommodate its patrons as much as possible, will consider the papers when they are presented.

The Commercial Travelers' Association, the hotel men, the theatrical profession—all are getting into Van's crusade, and the fight is getting hotter every day. Letters come from drummers who have lost their positions through non-receipt of orders from their firms on Sundays. Other letters come from actors who are incensed at not getting their mail before making a start for the next town on their route.

## Women Hold Fancy Sale.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society of the First Presbyterian Church are holding a Christmas sale of fancy articles this afternoon in the new Elbri Hotel from 2 o'clock until 10 o'clock tonight. Home-made candy and refreshments will be sold as well as Christmas presents.

## WANT MRS. BUTLER TO REMAIN HEAD

United Daughters of Confederacy  
Will Demand That President  
Continue in Place.

Demand of all the chapters of the District division, United Daughters of the Confederacy, that Mrs. Marion Butler serve another year as president of the District division at the annual meeting of the District division at the Confederate Home in Vermont avenue tomorrow afternoon. The meeting begins at 1 p. m. Mrs. Butler, however, will not accept another term, although the chapters have formally passed resolutions urging her to serve again. Mrs. Butler's work the past year included the making of arrangements for the Confederate monument unveiling at Arlington during the general convention of the Daughters. The Rev. C. Ernest Smith, of St. Thomas Church, will give the opening prayer tomorrow afternoon. In the evening at the same place the annual presentation of orphans to children will take place. Congressman Hayden of Texas making the address.

Choice Home-Grown Flowers and beautiful blooming plants. Order early for Christmas. Guide, 1211 F. Adv.

## Petworth Citizens To Thank Firemen

A testimonial of appreciation for the services of members of Engine Company No. 24 will be presented by the Petworth Citizens' Association at a reception to be given Wednesday evening, December 12, at the new fire house, Georgia avenue and Rock Creek road. Inspection of the new fire apparatus, especially of the new motor trucks, will be made. Refreshments will be served and other entertainments provided.

## Clapp Board Call Is Still Uncertain

Uncertainty prevails as to the exact time of resuming hearings on campaign contributions before the Clapp committee. Senator Clapp has set next Tuesday as the tentative date for the next meeting. It will be preliminary to map out a course of action. Testimony may not be taken for some time owing to the absence of a quorum. Senator Oliver is in a Baltimore hospital. Senator Jones is detained at home, and Senator Paynter is also absent.

## Housing Conference Opens in Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 4.—Sociologists, health officers and civic welfare workers from many cities gathered here today to attend the second national conference on housing in America, which concludes its sessions Friday. Questions relating to health and sanitation, overcrowding in lodging houses, workingmen's houses and their financing, the planning and building of garden cities, and the work of teaching the housing gospel to newly-arrived immigrants are among the subjects for discussion by the members.

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5 Pieces for the Price of One

Just a holiday special to set the town talking. The bed spread alone is worth the price of the entire set—the sets consist of spread, 45x45-inch lace table cover, two 30x30-inch shams, and an 13x48-inch dresser scarf. All reproductions of Mexican drawn work, closely woven. Actual \$5 values; a limited lot, special tomorrow, set.....

Sample Bed Sets  
Of French net with Renaissance motifs.

10c Curtain Madras, Pretty Colorings, 5c  
Limit 10 Yards to Person

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Silk crinkle in greens, gold, rose, red, tan, etc., also Silk Damasks in solid colors, pair.....

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Drapery Store—Third Floor.

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Our New Method Credit Plan Will Help You to Bridge Over the Financial Strain of Christmas Times—Ask Us to Tell You How It Operates

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**\$1.95**

For This Handsome 8-Day  
**Mission Clock**

20 inches high, 11 inches wide.  
Actual Value, \$3.50.

Only One to a Customer and for Thursday Only.

**\$9.85**

For Massive Imperial  
Quartered Oak  
**Library Table**

Elegant Finish.  
Value, \$16.50.

**\$1.95**

FOR THIS HEAVY BRASS  
**Umbrella Jar**

WITH LIONS' HEADS OF CAST  
BRASS. VALUE, \$3.50.

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For This Rich Mahogany Piano  
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Nice shelf below. An elegantly  
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Another Shipment  
This Fine \$5 TELEPHONE  
STAND and SEAT Complete for  
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Solid Oak Early English Finish.  
Value, \$5.00.

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Beautiful Mahogany Piano Finish.  
Actual Value, \$9.50.

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**Bamboo and Matting Waste Basket**

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200 Tabourets with 10-inch matting covered tops; very strong and substantial; 50c values, special tomorrow, each... 29c

Furniture Store—Third Floor.

### A Blossoming Garden of Pretty Neck Bows

There are so many friends that you wish to give some pretty inexpensive little remembrance to, and so many of these friends, if they are women or girls, need, want, and wear these pretty little bows that you can buy a whole dozen of them to give away and be sure that you are doing the right thing.

Little Lace Bows, Satin Bows, with cord ed drop in pretty shades. Satin bows, combined with velvet; pretty little floral bows, different flowers.

Choice 25c

Prettily boxed if desired.  
Neckwear Store—Street Floor.

### Dress Warmly During Christmas Shopping Warm Winter Underwear

Good Preventives Against Cold

Going in and out of stores, with the system more or less taxed by the unusual strain of Holiday shopping, one is more liable to take cold than at other times. Be watchful, dress warmly, and keep in good trim for enjoying the holidays.

WOMEN'S JERSEY RIBBED VESTS, fleeced and bleached, high neck, long sleeves; with ankle length pants to match, finished with French bands. \$35c

WOMEN'S UNION SUITS, fleeced lined, perfect fitting, made of unbleached yarns, high neck, long sleeves, ankle lengths, at..... 50c

Ribbed Underwear Store—Street Floor.

### Handkerchiefs You Can Buy for 25c

All pure linen, one corner hand embroidered. Hemstitched, with narrow fine lace edges.

Initial Handkerchiefs, hand embroidered, in plain letters, fancy letters, with wreaths, bows, and fancy designs, or plain.

All pure linen, hemstitched.

Pine shamrock lawn, one corner embroidered, and trimmed with Armenian lace edges.

Pine and sheer lawn, hemstitched with the new side effect embroidery, choice dainty styles.

Lace edged Handkerchiefs, narrow and wide lace, and linen centers.

Handmade Princess lace Handkerchiefs. Fancy and plain. Mourning Handkerchiefs, all linen.

Colored border Handkerchiefs, French printed, fast colors.

### The Prettiest Colorings in New 1912 BATH ROBES

BLANKET BATH ROBES, two different styles, one has a lay-down collar the other is in Dutch neck effect; finished with turn-back cuffs; stitched satin folds; both styles have pocket, and cord and tassels. Colorings are sky and tan, lavender and white, navy and red, rose and white, pearl and pink, and navy and white.

Choice..... \$3.00

Women's Wear Store—2nd Floor.

### Reversible Bath Robing, Firm Heavy Quality, Yard, 29c

Plain colors, two-tone effects, in some places the color on one side contrasts with that of the other; in others one side is just a lighter tone of the same color as the other side. The effect made up is very pretty indeed. Combinations are light blue and white, pink and white, gray and red, gray and blue, gray and lavender, etc. Material is 27 inches wide, and only 29c a yard. Buy enough to make a pretty bathrobe for some member of the family.

Flannel Store—Street Floor.

### FOR FINAL CLEARANCE TUNICS

Recently \$9.95 On Special Sale  
Choice \$4.95 Tomorrow

10 of them left from our recent big sale—we need the room these occupy, for holiday lines, so cut the price deep to dispose of them in short order.

Each one is a very desirable style and will make a rich effect for evening wear. We have them in white and gold, white and silver, amber and all black, all made on finest imported nets.—Trimming Store, Street Floor.

### Alex Smith's "Extra" WILTON VELVET RUGS

At Exactly One Half Price Tomorrow

An offer embracing the sample line of this famous brand. People who are rug-wise will recognize them as Smith's heaviest grade and come for them before the lot is picked over.

All 9x12 ft. Size in Choicest Patterns  
Including Orientals, florals, all-over and medallion designs, in all kinds of colorings.

Regular \$30 Values,  
Choice of the Lot at \$15

Rug Store—Third Floor.

## China, Glass and House Needs

25c to 59c Values. Seasonable Items.

As the Price is so Low We Limit Quantities to Each Purchaser.

8 rolls of "GEM" Toilet Paper, large rolls good-grade perforated tissue, 19c.

Oyster Fryers of best Russian iron, separate wire drain basket, family size, 19c.

Water Pails, best indurated fiber; will not become water soaked; 10-quart size, 19c.

Water or Utility Pails, best three-coated galv. iron, strong handles; 14-quart, 19c.

One dozen Water Glasses, best crystal glass, handsome colonial shape, 8-ounce, 19c.

Jardiniere, best glazed stock, dainty decorations, assorted shapes, 8 and 10 inch, 19c.

Wash Basins, good grade plain white stoneware, pretty shape and good size, 19c.

Cupboards, granite iron, removable tops, good sizes, 19c.

Lace Turbans, fine plain thin grade brush and heavy japanned dustpan, 19c.

Double Roasters or cereal Cookers; best seamless enamel, nice size, covered, 19c.

Pastory or Biscuit Boards, best selected cedar, in sanitary bag; 14 and 20-inch size, 19c.

Three Gas Mantles, inverted or upright styles, extra-grade stock, warranted, 19c.

Six cakes Oleine Laundry Soap, 19c.

Skillets or Frying Pans, best polished steel, seamless, sanitary, 10-inch size, 19c.

Yacht or Deck Mops, extra-grade stock, long handle, large size, 19c.

Dishpans of granite iron, with riveted handles, seamless, No. 10 size, 19c.

Straight Saucepans, of granite iron, long handle and cover, seamless, 8-quart, 19c.

Beril Saucepans, granite iron, long handle and cover, seamless, 9-pint size, 19c.

Dusting Bats, combining good-grade brush and heavy japanned dustpan, 19c.

3 yards of "SECONDS" Table Oil Cloth, assorted patterns, 5-4 width, 19c.

Cereal Jars of best imported porcelain, prettily decorated, good size, 19c.

3 Spice Jars, best imported porcelain, decorated, assorted names, good size, 19c.

Water Pitchers, rich colonial glass, tankard shape, 4-gallon size, 19c.

Choice, 19c

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